

**KINGSTON BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 9, 2014**

The regular meeting of the Board of Water Commissioners was called to order at 3:01 p.m. on April 9, 2014 in the Department's offices at Jansen Avenue. Present were President Joseph DeCicco, Commissioners Ray McSpirit, Bob Niedzielski and Dennis Croswell. Commissioner Al Radel was an excused absence. Also in attendance were Superintendent Hansen, Assistant Secretary Allan Alberts, Attorney William Cloonan, and James Caggiano. James Quigley, Town of Ulster Supervisor, was present to address the Board.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved with an amendment on a motion made by Commissioner Croswell and seconded by Commissioner Niedzielski. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Bills in the amount of \$33,547.46 dated 3/19/14; \$76,991.74 dated 3/26/14; \$30,014.80 dated 4/2/14; and \$334,429.81 dated 4/9/14 were ordered paid as audited on a motion by Commissioner McSpirit and seconded by Commissioner Niedzielski. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

James Quigley, Town of Ulster Supervisor, addressed the Board regarding the possibility of a bottling company, Niagara, instituting a water bottling plant on a site in Tech City. Discussion ensued related to the supply of water from KWD to the water bottling plant. The Board will continue discussion of this enterprise after the required research is completed by the Superintendent regarding the ability to supply the requested quantity of water to the plant.

The Board discussed the CSX Crossing Main Replacement Project. It was reported that the bidding process and awarding of the project would be completed in May.

The Board discussed the Cooper Lake Dam Project. It was reported that the recommendation of the Review Committee was to award the Engineering Design contract to Schnabel. A motion was made by Commissioner Croswell and seconded by Commissioner McSpirit to award the Engineering Design contract to Schnabel and to proceed with Task 1 at a cost not to exceed \$50,816. The proceeds for Task 1 are to be taken from the Cooper Lake capital bank account. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

The Board discussed the Phase 1B Filter Renovation Project. The Board was informed that the design drawings would be completed by the end of April.

The Board discussed the Filter Plant Lagoons. It was reported that at least one of the lagoons must be emptied to remain in compliance. The Board recommended that the cost for this activity be added to the bonding which will be required for Phase 1B and the Filter Plant Backwash Tank Replacement.

The Board was informed that the Florence Street Tank Painting project will begin in May. At the recommendation of Attorney Cloonan, the second half of the General Property Tax for the cell towers on the Florence Street Tank is to be remitted to the City Comptroller. There will be further discussion about the tax amount in the future.

The Board was informed that the fees for the Consulting Accounting firm were \$2,000 above the initial proposal. A motion to authorize payment was made by Commissioner McSpirit and seconded by Commissioner Niedzielski. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

A motion to move into Executive Session was made by Commissioner Niedzielski and seconded by Commissioner Croswell at 4:53 pm. A motion to come out of Executive Session was made by Commissioner McSpirit and seconded by Commissioner Niedzielski at 5:53 pm. Motions carried by unanimous vote.

The Board was presented with a letter of resignation for retirement from Kathleen Steeger. On a motion by Commissioner Croswell and seconded by Commissioner McSpirit the resignation was accepted with regret. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

The March Superintendent's Report was read and ordered filed on a motion by Commissioner McSpirit and seconded by Commissioner Niedzielski. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Croswell and seconded by Commissioner Niedzielski at 5:55 pm. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Assistant Secretary